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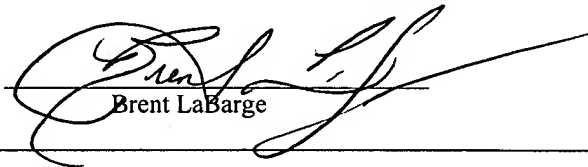
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application prior to substantive examination as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- On Page 13, please replace lines 31-32 with the following text:

Figure 24: Sequence of *Drosophila argonaute 2*. Peptides identified by microsequencing are shown in underline (SEQ ID NO: 5).

- On Page 16, please replace lines 17-19 with the following text:

Figure 37: Depicts three types of short RNAs corresponding to the coding region of firefly luciferase. The three types of RNAs are siRNAs, let-7 like hairpins, and simple hairpins (SEQ ID NOS: 6-9).

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